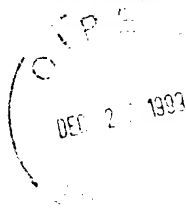


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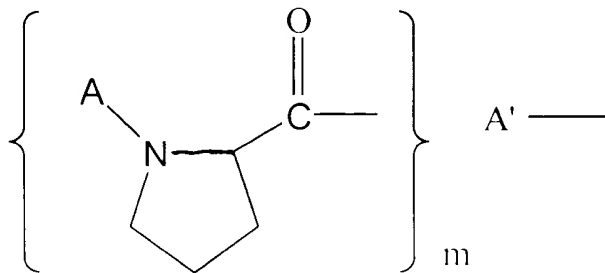
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In response to the final Office Action mailed June 24, 1999, please consider the following amendments and remarks.

In the Claims

Replace the structure depicted in claim 48 with the following structure:



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